


Libraries That Lend “Things”




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Libraries That Lend Things

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What we'll cover:

- Where to start
- AADL's current collections
- Audience
- Collaboration with community organizations
- How to start an unusual collection at your library



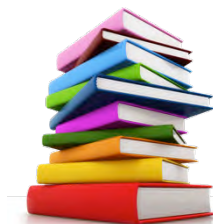
Where to start.



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But we’re already lending things!



Books were once unusual objects.



Why lend other things?

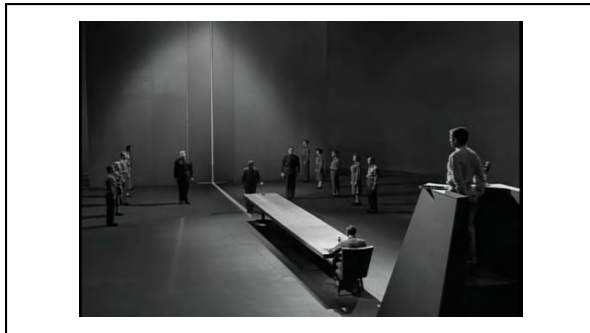
A natural extension of the core mission of libraries:

- reduce barriers to access
- increase access to rare and hard-to-find objects

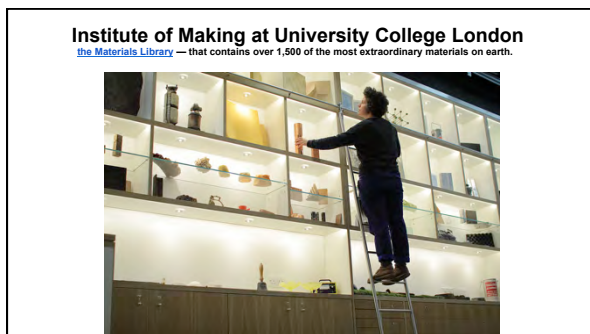


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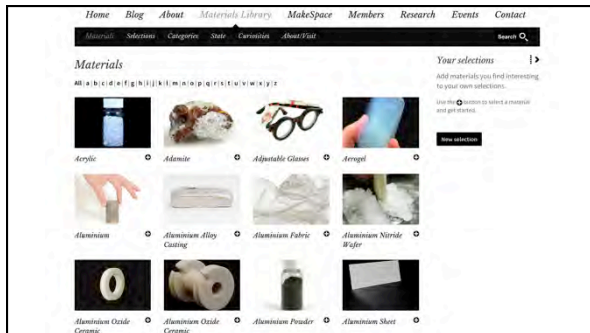






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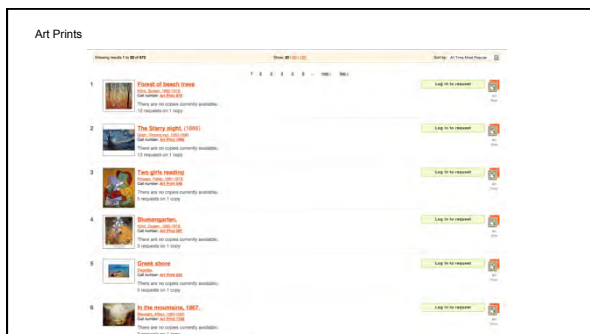
Where we started:



Energy Meters (2005)
aadi.org/hometools



Art Prints (40+ years)
aadi.org/artprints



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Telescopes



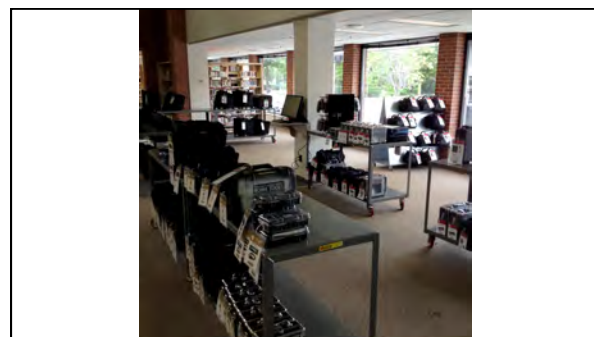

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Started in 2009 with 7. Now circulating 30.

aadl's current collections

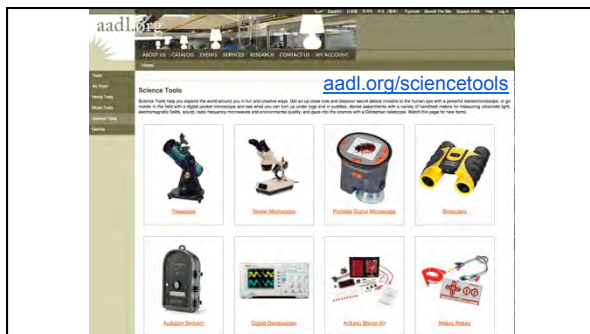


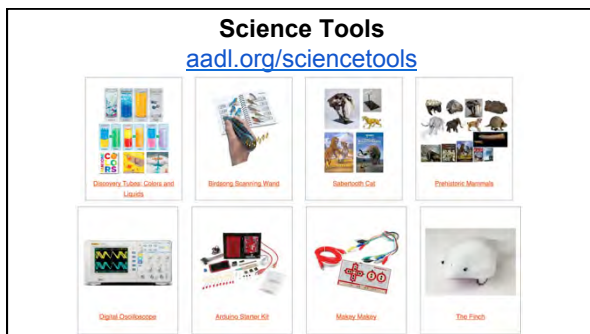


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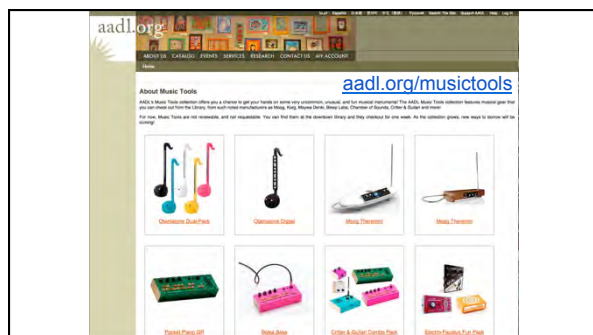


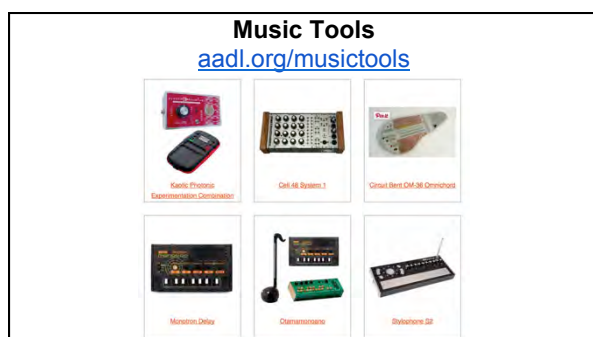


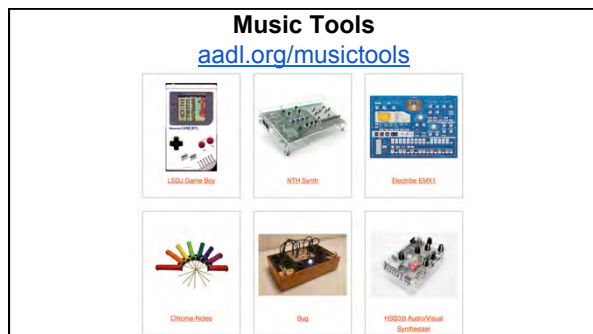


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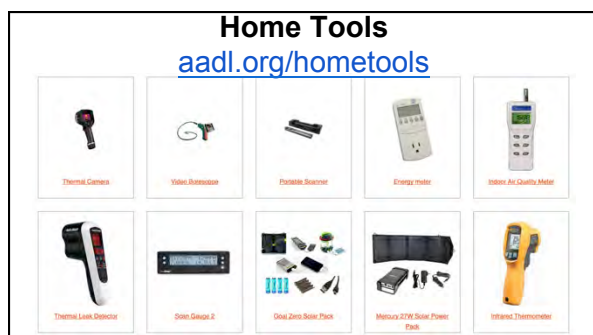


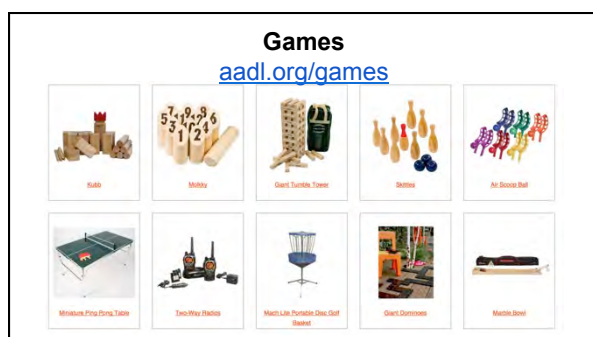
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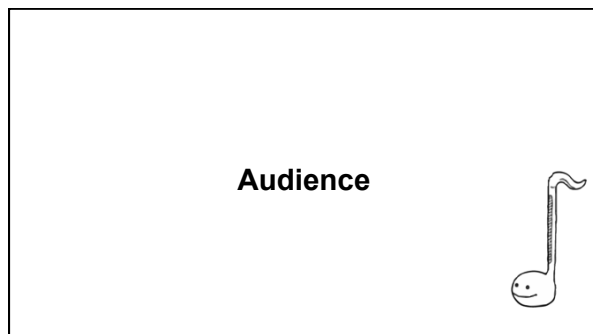


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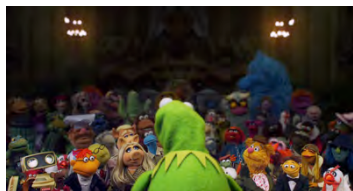




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Your audience is your community.



Start a conversation.

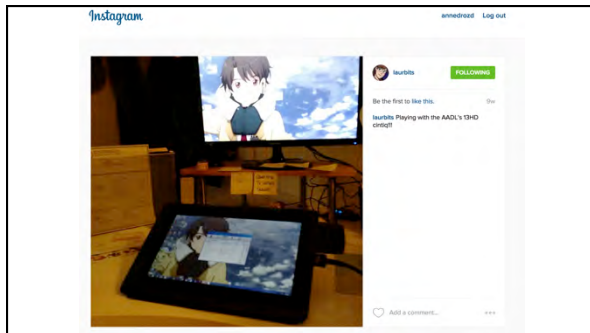


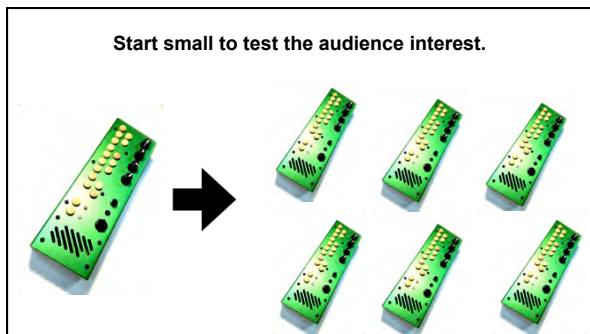
- email
- social media
- contact us forms
- at the reference desk
- at events
- contact organizations in your community with similar interests



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Patron Uses:

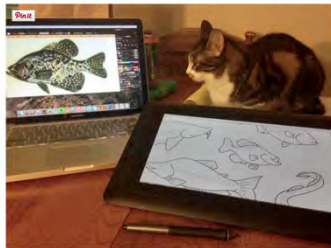
Dave Menzo

Musician Dave Menzo explored an exciting concept for his new album “Shhh...”. Every instrument played on the album came from AADL’s [Music Tools](#) collection! This unusual collection allows Library cardholders to check out drum machines, synthesizers, guitar pedals, and other instruments.



Jenny Harley
@jharleyo

Mini cintiq party courtesy of @aadl_tools.



Events:



Ann Arbor Library @aadl · July 11
MINIMOOGFEST! Today at the downtown library! Live music, Theremins, guitar pedals, 450 #summergame points til 4pm!



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Electronic Music Production with Mike Huckaby (weekly workshops at aadl)



Telescope Modifications Event



Telescope Launch Event



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Mini Maker Faire



Collaborations with community organizations



Telescopes



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Music tools in the classroom

Collaboration with
Tappan Middle
School's music
program and
orchestra teacher
Joe DeMarsh



Summer Day Camp Kits



Ann Arbor Film Festival's Expanding Frames



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How to start a collection at your library?



Planning

- Selection?
- Policy?
- Budget?
- Where will the collection live?
- Cataloging?
- How to handle circulation?
- Maintenance?
- Repairs?
- Staff time?

Nontraditional Selection Trifecta:

- Short-Term Use
- Infrequent Need
- Relatively Expensive

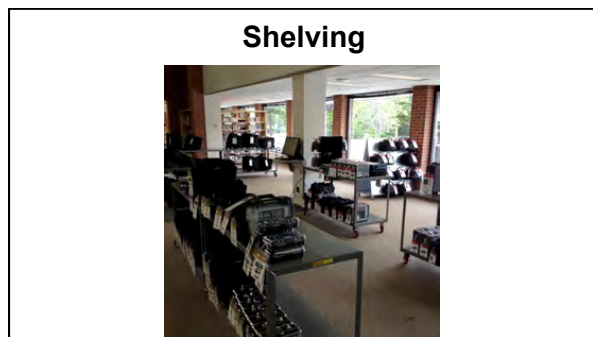


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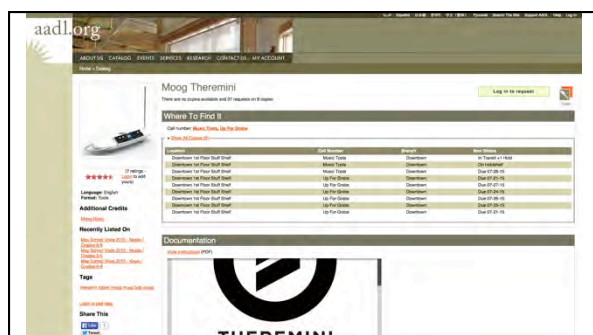


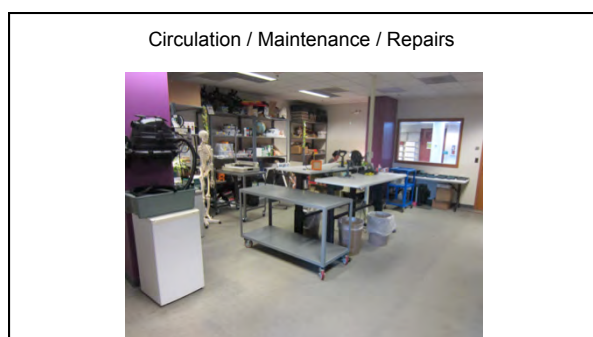




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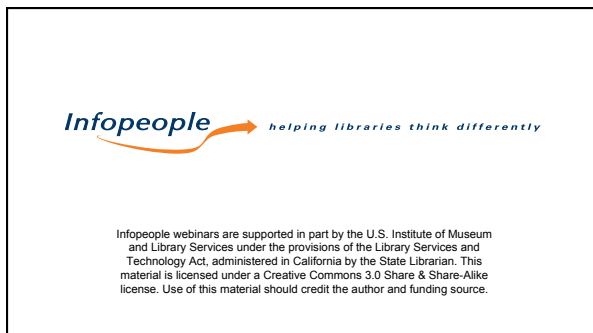
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